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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 28, 2004, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the patentability of the claims.

It is believed that no other fee is due at this time, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account 19-0733 should it determine any additional fee is required.

Status of the Claims:

Claims 1-3, 5-23, and 30-45 are pending.

Claims 4, 24-29, and 44-47 are cancelled.

Claims 1-3, 5-15, 18-23, and 30-36 are amended herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.